

[Mr. C. P. Gopala Panicker.] ... required for all the hospitals in the State including private dispensaries for submission to the Office of the Drugs Controller of the Government of India. Government, therefore, now propose to appoint one clerk on Rs. 30-45 and one typist on Rs. 45-75. In the circumstances, I request that the House may be pleased to sanction the grant.

The question that Government be granted a sum of Rs. 380 under Demand XXV—Medical was put and carried.

The grant was made.

DEMAND XXVI—AYURVEDA—Rs. 110.

Mr. C. P. Gopala Panicker: Sir, I move for a grant of Rs. 110 under Demand XXVI—Ayurveda for the appointment of a compounder in the Sachivottama Shastiabdapurthi Memorial Ayurveda Hospital, Neyyattinkara.

This is a newly opened hospital and though the Director wanted two compounders to be appointed from the very beginning, Government wanted to know how far there would be work for two compounders. Recently, the Director inspected the hospital and reported to Government that the daily attendance in the hospital was about 400, and that it was practically impossible for a single compounder to handle 400 cases a day. He therefore felt that one more compounder was essential for work in the hospital. I request that the House may be pleased to grant this small sum.

The question that Government be granted a sum of Rs. 110 under Demand XXVI—Ayurveda, was put and carried.

The grant was made.

DEMAND XXVII—PUBLIC HEALTH AND SANITATION—Rs. 18,945.

Rajyasevaniratha Dr. M. K. Gopala Pillai (Director of Public Health): Sir, I move for a grant of Rs. 18,945 under Demand XXVII—Public Health and Sanitation. Out of this a sum of Rs. 12,000 is required for plague work during 1120 at Alleppey, Quilon and Marayur. A new station was started at Marayur and a sum of Rs. 4,000 is required for continuing the observation station there.

It was thought necessary to institute a public health survey throughout the State, and to conduct this survey, a small staff was necessary. The amount is required for paying salary and also to meet the contingent expenses.